



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 -  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1651

Attorney's Docket No. 33339/206076

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Laurent Benbadis, et al. Confirmation No.: 8151  
Appl. No.: 09/700,687 Group No.: 1651  
Filed: February 14, 2001 Examiner: Ruth Davis  
For: MUTANT LACTOBACILLUS BULGARICUS  
STRAINS FREE FROM BETA-GALACTOSIDE ACTIVITY

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

October 17, 2002

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three months to respond to the Office Action dated April 22, 2002.

2. Applicant is ☐ a small entity; ☒ other than a small entity.

3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

	Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$400.00	\$200.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$920.00	\$460.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1,440.00	\$720.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	five months*	\$1,960.00	\$980.00

\*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory  
limit for response to an Official Action.

Fee Enclosed \$920.00

☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any additional  
extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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